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SUBJECT: Update on PKK Violence (January 1-7, 2009)

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(U) Sensitive but unclassified - please protect accordingly.

¶1. (SBU) This is another in a series of weekly reports on PKK violence in Turkey. Our primary source is the Turkish General Staff (TGS) website, which documents contacts and clashes with the PKK, as well as casualties incurred.

¶2. (U) During the January 1-7, 2009, reporting period, no security official was killed or injured. The total number of security force casualties for the year through January 7, 2009, was zero killed and zero injured.

¶3. (U) During the same period, no PKK terrorist was killed in clashes. One PKKer was captured in Diyarbakir on January 5. According to official TGS website figures, through the first week of January, the number of PKK militants killed this year was zero, the number of those captured was one, and the number of those who surrendered was zero.

¶4. (U) During the reporting period no civilian was killed or injured in PKK-linked violence. The total number of civilian casualties for the year through the end of the first week of January, was zero killed and zero wounded.

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